

BEFORE THE  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 20268-0001

COMPETITIVE PRODUCT PRICES  
PRIORITY MAIL  
PRIORITY MAIL CONTRACT 69

Docket No. MC2014-7

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PRIORITY MAIL CONTRACT 69 (MC2014-7)  
NEGOTIATED SERVICE AGREEMENT

Docket No. CP2014-8

Public Representative Comments

(November 27, 2013)

I. SUMMARY

In response to Order No.1888,<sup>1</sup> the Public Representative hereby comments on the November 19, 2013, Request<sup>2</sup> the Postal Service filed.

The Public Representative observes that the Postal Service's Request comports with the provisions of 39 U.S.C. § 3642 and 39 C.F.R. § 3020.30. The contract appears to be beneficial to the Postal Service, the contract partner and the general public.

II. DISCUSSION

The Postal Service filed its Request to add Priority Mail Contract 69 to the competitive product list. The contract is a competitive product not of general applicability within the meaning of 39 U.S.C. § 3632(b)(3). The contract is effective one business day following the date the Commission issues its approval. The contract is to

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<sup>1</sup> Notice and Order Concerning Addition of Priority Mail Contract 69 to the Competitive Product List, November 21, 2013 (Notice).

<sup>2</sup> Request of the United States Postal Service to Add Priority Mail Contract 69 to the Competitive Product List and Notice of Filing (Under Seal) of Unredacted Governors' Decision Contract, and Supporting Data, November 19, 2013 (Request).

be in effect for one year unless either party decides to terminate it. The Postal Service does note that the contract may be extended and prices will be updated accordingly.

Based on the financial workpapers filed by the Postal Service it is likely that the contract will meet the requirements of 39 U.S.C § 3633(a) during the first year of the contract. The contract contains terms that adjust the prices if the contract is extended beyond the first year. The inclusion of these terms will help maintain the contract's ability to meet the requirements of 39 U.S.C. § 3633(a) over the lifetime of the contract. The Public Representative is also mindful that the Postal Service will file cost, revenue, and volume data in each year's Annual Compliance Report that will aid the Commission in ensuring the requirements of 39 U.S.C. § 3633(a) continue to be met.

### III. CONCLUSION

After accessing and reviewing all materials the United States Postal Service submitted in this docket to include documents filed under seal for Docket Nos. MC2014-7 and CP2014-8, the Public Representative believes that the contract will cover its attributable costs and make a positive contribution of 5.5 percent towards the Postal Service's total institutional costs.

The Public Representative respectfully submits the preceding Comments for the Commission's consideration.

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